

Amendments to the Specification

On page 1, following the title of the invention, please replace the previously submitted "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" paragraph with the following paragraph:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a Divisional of pending prior National Phase Filing U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/646,561, filed September 19, 2000, now issued as US Patent number 6,852,847, entitled "CANINE AND FELINE B7-2 NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES AND USES THEREOF"; which claims priority to international PCT Application No. PCT/US99/06187, filed March 19, 1999, entitled "NOVEL FORMS OF T CELL COSTIMULATORY PROTEINS, NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES, AND USES THEREOF"; which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/062,597, now abandoned, filed April 17, 1998, entitled "NOVEL FORMS OF T CELL COSTIMULATORY PROTEINS, NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES, AND USES THEREOF"; which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/078,765, filed March 19, 1998, entitled "NOVEL FORMS OF T CELL COSTIMULATORY PROTEINS, NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES, AND USES THEREOF".--